

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

KEVIN J. THORNE  
JAMES J. BENEDICT

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For: COMPOSITION AND PROCESS FOR BONE  
GROWTH AND REPAIR

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Examiner: Patricia A. Leith

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(SBI-073)

**CUSTOMER NO. 45488**

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO  
OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 31, 2006**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of one month to and including November 30, 2006, in which to respond to the Office Action dated July 31, 2006.

The Director is authorized to deduct the fee from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/2103.013700RE.

Respectfully submitted,

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